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SUBJECT: TTBT/PNE NEGOTIATIONS: RESTRICTED MEETING - OCTOBER 3
TTBT/PNE DELEGATION MESSAGE NO. 26

- 1. REPORT OF RESTRICTED MEETING 11:00 A.M., OCTOBER 3, STOESSEL/BUCHHEIM/TUNIK WITH MOROKHOV/TIMERBAEV/KOVALEV.
- 2. STOESSEL ASKED MOROKHOV IF HE HAD STATEMENT. MOROKHOV SAID HE HAD NO PREPARED TEXT; THEN HE SPOKE EXTEMPORANEOUSLY.
- 3. MOROKHOV SAID MANY QUESTIONS ABOUT US DRAFT TEXT HAD BEEN CLAIRIFED IN LAST TWO WEEKS. SOVIET SIDE HAD, YESTERDAY AND THIS MORNING, ANALYZED RESULTS OF THESE TWO WEEKS AND CONCLUDED THAT IT IS NOW TIME TO START ON ELABORATION OF AGREED TEXT
- 4. MOROKHOV PROPOSED A "RESTRICTED BUT LESS RESTRICTED" MEETING OCTOBER 6 DURING WHICH HE WILL PRESENT A DETAILED ANALYSIS OF DRAFT TREATY AND SPECIFIC BUT LESS DETAILED ANALYSIS OF PROTOCOLS. HE PROMISED COMMENTS ON WORDING AND MATTERS OF SUBSTANCE.
- 5. MORKHOV ALSO PROPOSED TWO WORKING GROUPS, WHICH COULD BEGIN WORK ON OCTOBER 7 OR 8. ONE WORKING GROUP ON TREATY TEXT, WITH TIMERBAEV AS SOVIET CHAIRMAZGM SECOND MEETING SECRET

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GROUP ON PROTOCOLS, WITH SAFRONOV AS SOVIET CHAIRMAN. AD

HOC MEETINGS OF EXPERTS WOULD ACT IN SUPPORT OF THESE WORKING GROUPS. OBJECTIVE OF WORKING GROUPS WOULD BE TO PRODUCE TEXTS AGREED UPON TO MAXIMUM POSSIBLE EXTENT, WITH REMAINING POINTS OF DIFFERENCE IDENTIFIED AND ALTERNATIVE LANGUAGE SET FORTH, AD REFERENDUM TO DELEGATIONS. OBJECTIVE OF DELEGATIONS WOULD BE TO FORWARD AGREED TEXT AD REFERENDUM TO GOVERNMENTS, INCLUDING ALTERNATIVE LANGUAGE ON POINTS OF DIFFERENCE.

- 6. MOROKHOV SAID SOVIET SIDE DOES NOT INTEND TO TABLE ALTERNATIVE TEXT OF ITS OWN. THEY HAVE ONE BUT TABLING IT WOULD INVOLVE OBTAINING APPROVAL FROM GOVERNMENT "AND ALL THAT BUSINESS". SOVIET SIDE HAS, AND WILL PRESENT, ALTERNATIVE LANGUAGE WHICH WILL: (A) REPEAT SOEM OF US LANGUAGE; (B) SUGGEST CHANGES TO IMPROVE ON SOME US WORDING; AND (C) SUGGEST SOME CHANGES IN MATTERS OF PRINCIPLE.
- 7. MOROKHOV EXPRESSED VIEW THAT WORK CAN BE DONE "QUICKLY" AND THAT PRESENT ROUND CAN LEAD TO DOCUMENTS TO PRESENT TO GOVERNMENTS, AT LEAST THAT IS WHAT SOVIET SIDE WILL STRIVE TO ACHIEVE.
- 8. STOESSEL REPLIED, SAYING HE WOULD NOT USE HIS PREPARED TEXT BECAUSE MOROKHOV HAD ALREADY RAISED MANY OF THE POINTS IN IT. HE AGREED THAT MOST IMPORTANT TASK IS TO WORK ON PREPARATION OF AGREED JOINT TEXT, WITH DIFFERENCES REDUCED TO MINIMUM ANJD REFLECTED IN FORM OF ALTERNATIVE LANGUAGE FOR CONSIDERATION BY GOVERNMENTS.
- 9. STOESSEL NOTED STATEMENT AND WORDING CHANGES PRESENTED BY US SIDE SEPTEMBER 24.
- 10. STOESSEL SAID MOROKHOV'S PROPOSAL FOR RESTRICTED MEETING OCTOBER 6 AND TWO WORKING GROUPS WAS REASONABLE. HE ASKED THAT SOVIET REVIEW OF US DRAFT TEXT ON OCTOBER 6 GO AS FAR AS POSSIBLE IN DIRECTION OF PARAGRAPH-BY-PARAGRAPH COMMENTARY
- 11. STOESSEL SAID US CHAIRMAN FOR FIRST WORKING GROUP WOULD SECRET

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BE BUCHHEIM AND US CHAIRMAN FOR SECOND WORKING GROUP WOULD BE BAKER. (FYI. THIS WILL BE AMENDED AFTER OCTOBER 8 IN VIW OF BAKER'S TRAVEL PLANS. END FYI)

12. STOESSEL AGREED THAT WORK ON JOINT TEXT SHOULD MOVE AS RAPIDLY AS POSSIBLE, AND SUGGESTED FIRST MEETINGS OF WORKING GROUPS BE SET FOR OCTOBER 7.

13. MOROKHOV AGREED THAT WORKING GROUPS SHOULD MEET OCTOBER 7; THEN HE SAID THAT HE HAD SAID EARLIER THAT US AND SOVIETS POSITIONS ARE NOW CLEARER BUT THAT HE DID NOT MEAN THEY ARE NOW ABSOLUTELY CLEAR. SOME POINTS MAY REQUIRE FURTHER DISCUSSION BY EXPERTS.

14. AGREED THAT NEXT MEETING (RESTRICTED BUT LESS RESTRICTED) WOULD BE  $4:00\ P.M.$  OCTOBER 6.

15. AFTER MEETING, IN ONE-ON-ONE, MOROKHOV TOLD STOESSEL THAT SOVIET SIDE PREFERRED TO MERGE PRESENT TWO DRAFT PROTOCOLS INTO SINGLE PROTOCOL.

16. IN SAME ONE-ON-ONE, STOESSEL SUGGESTED THAT STATUS BE REVIEWED IN ONE WEEK TO JUDGE DESIRABILITY OF GOING ON WITHOUT INTERRUPTION OR RECESSING BRIEFLY FOR HOMEWORK. MOROKHOV AGREED.

17. AFTER MEETING, TIMERBAEV TOLD BUCHHEIM ALSO ABOUT SOVIET PREFERENCE FOR SINGLE PROTOCOL AND ADDED THAT PROVISION ON SLIFERS IS BIGGEST PROBLEM IN PRESENT PROTOCOLS. BUCHHEIM ASKED IF THIS MEANT THE SPECIFIC SLIFER DESIGN F YEILD MEASURING EQUIPMENT OR THE QUESTION OF WHICH SIDE WOULD SUPPLY THE EQUIPMENT. TIMERBAEV SAID IT WIS THE LATTER. HE SAID SOVIET EXPERTS ARE STILL CONCERNED ABOUT POSSIBILITY THAT EQUIPMENT SUPPLIED BY VERIFYING SIDE COULD BE USED TO GAIN INFORMATION BEYOND THAT NEEDED FOR YEILD VERIFICATION. BUCHHEM SAID SOME ARRANGEMENT SHOULD BE DETERMINED FOR EXPLORING THIS PROBLEM AND SEEKING WASY TO DEAL WITH IT BECAUSE NO AMOUNT OF DRAFTING LABOR WILL HELP WITHOUT AN UNDERSTANDING ON WHAT IS TO BE PROVIDED FOR. TIMERBAEV SAID HE WOULD TALK WITH SOVIET EXPERTS ABOUT THIS.

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